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War over 'pink slime' has social media backbone

Chicago Tribune

Americans enjoy the cheapest food supply in the world, spending the smallest share of their income on groceries of any country.

But as activist groups continue to pull back the curtain on the techniques that make this cheap food possible, Americans are raising their eyebrows and voicing their concerns to surprisingly powerful effect.

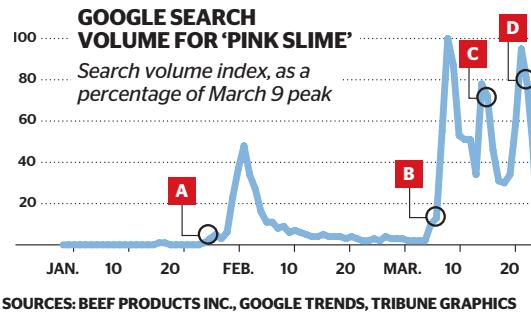
This week, Beef Products Inc. announced the temporary shutdown of three of its four plants that produce an inexpensive, chemically treated recovered beef product the government calls "lean finely textured beef" but opponents have dubbed "pink slime." The company's decision came after McDonald's, the National School Lunch Program, Dominick's parent Safeway Inc. and Supervalu Inc., owner of Jewel, made public their reduction or elimination of the product from their outlets in recent weeks.

While contamination problems had been associated with the product as late as 2009—when the U.S. Department of Agriculture was exempting it from routine safety tests—industry experts say new government and company testing protocols have made it a safe and incredibly efficient product for the food industry, which commonly adds it to ground beef.

But public outcry from consumers, parents and school district officials, triggered by YouTube videos and online petitions, drove industry and government to respond. It didn't hurt that the nickname at-

RISING INTEREST IN 'PINK SLIME'

Internet outcry triggered a temporary shutdown of some factories that produce the ground beef filler.



A. Jan. 27, 2012:

McDonald's confirms that its American outlets no longer use LFTB.

B. March 6: Blogger Bettina Siegel launches a petition on [change.org](#) urging the USDA to take the product out of school food.

C. March 15: The USDA says it will let school districts choose between ground beef with or without LFTB.

D. March 22: Some major grocery chains announce they will no longer sell beef containing LFTB.

tached to the product was disgusting.

The responses by corporations and government are just the latest examples of consumer pressure leading to changes in standard practices in the food industry, such as housing hens and pregnant sows in cramped cages and feeding antibiotics to livestock.

"It was incredible," said Brianna Cayo Cotter, communications director of [change.org](#), which hosted a petition by Texas mom Bettina Siegel urging the USDA to stop buying ammonia-treated beef for school lunches. "In 10 days she made the USDA, the meat industry and major retailers all back away from it. Now the demand for pink slime has dropped so dramatically that some of the factories are starting to shut down."

Not everyone views such popular uprisings as a positive development.

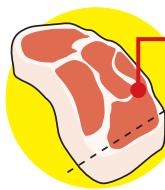
ORIGIN STORY

The term "pink slime" came from a 2002 internal email between two USDA scientists who were concerned at the time about its safety and lack of labeling. The emails surfaced when The New York Times, reporting on the safety of ground beef in 2009, obtained them under the Freedom of Information Act.

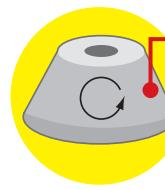
"Something is seriously out of kilter in our communications environment when safe food products and proven technologies can be torpedoed by sensationalist, misleading, yet entertaining social media campaigns," said David B. Schmidt, president and CEO of the International Food Information Council.

HOW 'PINK SLIME' IS MADE

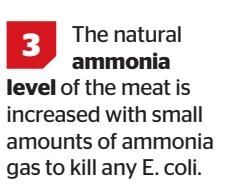
The 94-97 percent lean meat is used in common foods including retail ground beef and food service patties.



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Sex education: Not just for teens



Niki Fritz

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According to the Kinsey Institute, by the time we are 24, 90 percent of us will have sown wild oats, made the beast with two backs, done the deed and any number of additional dirty euphemisms to say we will have had sex. And although many of us by our 20s still won't be able to talk—or write—about sex with any inkling of grace, most of us will have figured out the basic formula: egg + sperm = two pink lines on the pee stick.

Often, we learn about the horndogs and the bees in a high school sex-ed class. I fondly remember my gym teacher awkwardly mumbling through diagrams of the reproductive systems with a few dozen pictures of the horrors of herpes thrown in for good measure. The message was clear: Abstinence until death or you will get the clap, you dirty slut! There was no follow-up Q&A session.

That is where esteemed sex columnist and Chicago native Dan Savage and his new MTV series, "Savage U," come in, loudly, proudly and sheathed in latex. The show, which debuts at 10 p.m. Tuesday, follows Savage as he takes his expertise on the road, visiting college campuses across the U.S. and dispensing sex advice better than anything your 10th-grade gym teacher could diagram on a chalkboard. Savage's show gives Millennials something we've been yearning for since puberty: grown-up sex-ed.

Considering the country's sex-ed curriculum hasn't changed since the 1960s, it seems like Savage has his work cut out for him. According to a 2008 University of Chicago study, 93 percent of Illinois schools have sex-ed but only 42 percent are teaching comprehensive curriculum including the realistic stuff such as condoms, birth control

and sexuality. Although there is currently a comprehensive sex-ed bill in the Illinois legislature that would ensure Illinois teens get more than a herpes slide show, for now many teens (and adults) learn about the sexy "good stuff" from the always-reliable sources of HBO and Redtube.

This type of "education" comes with its own problems. Despite the well-lit, mess-free simultaneous orgasms we see on any given Sunday on "Californication," real-life sex looks a little more like the floundering of an overserved Situation on "Jersey Shore" ... or worse.

With little realistic education from high schools, miseducation from cable and no tools to actually talk about sex, 20-somethings are left blindly humping their way through young adulthood.

On "Savage U," the always orally talented Savage visits 12 college campuses—including UIC—to give frank advice about everything from sex to relationships and all the GOP's surnames in between.

The discussion topics range from the nitty-gritty—manscaping, faking orgasms and masturbation—to less tangible issues such as romance, rejection and Facebook relationship statuses. It's the kind of stuff you wish your health teacher had talked about as you were peeling Trojans from battered bananas.

Beyond being the most realistic "reality" TV show on MTV, "Savage U" promises to help 20-somethings unlearn the shame and silence we learned to associate with sex in those abstinence-only and herpes-filled classes of Sexless High.

As Savage himself says in a promo for the show: "The more we talk about sex before people are having it, the less problems they are encountering when they have it, the better informed they are, they can make better choices. So there is going to be less talking about the train wreck afterward if we do some talking about it ahead of time."

Let the re-education begin!

NIKI FRITZ IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.



A yellow arrow points from the text "considering the country's sex-ed curriculum hasn't changed since the 1960s" to the portrait of Dan Savage.

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DOWN TO RIDE?

Ready for the spring dating scene? Inspired by Wednesday's column about being "down to ride" the CTA together to and from a date, we asked readers if they would ever turn down the idea. The reactions were more mixed than you might guess.

REDEYE TEXT-IN POLL

Is the CTA acceptable transportation for a date?

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CT-YAY

f It is part of the dating scene in the city, who needs a car in Chicago! If the date is going south you can get off the train!
—Natalie Horbatko

t I refuse to go on a date unless the guy has a private chauffeur. I mean come on!
—@PAIGEMeee

t I love my CTA, I even met one boyfriend on the train lol. Nothing wrong with seeing our beautiful city in the backdrop while conversating!
—Joey Joanna Santillan

f That seems like a shallow reason to not go on a date with someone, especially in this city. —@explodedsoda



CT-NAY

f eh....I don't expect someone to have a car, plus there's probably gonna be drinking involved, but in riding together...I would expect a cab, come on.
—Heather Moore

t Daytime date, yes. Night, not so much. This is Chicago so I feel like it's more acceptable.
—@sdhotchkiss

t A train that smells like pee isn't the most romantic way to start a date...Take a cab
—@CarolineAbe

t Wouldn't the logical response be to share a cab? or pick the girl up via cab?
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FIRST RESPONDERS

It's not real, folks. The crew for the TV pilot "Chicago Fire" films a crash scene on the Columbus Drive bridge over the Chicago River on Wednesday. E. JASON WAMBORGANS/TRIBUNE

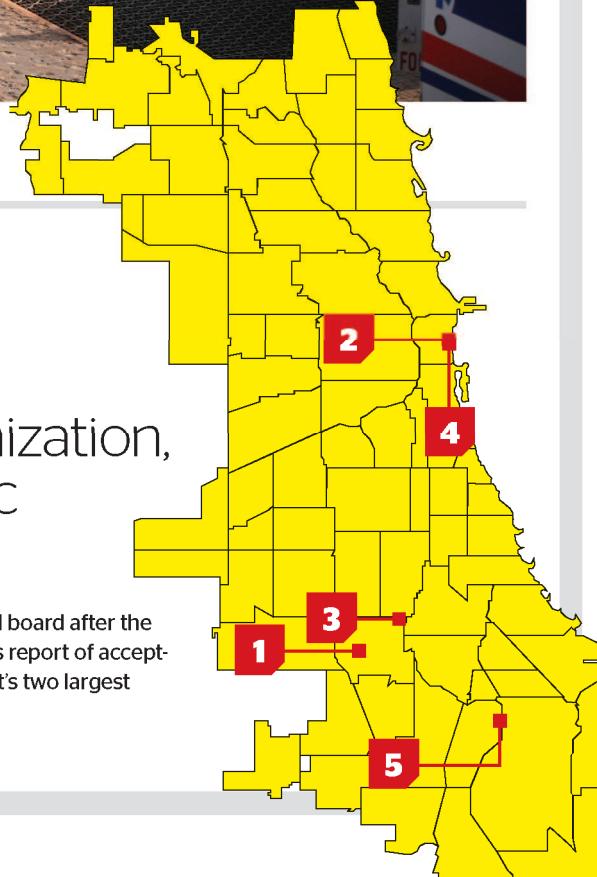
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While misconduct of this kind would be considered unacceptable in any organization, it is especially so at a public institution like CPS.”



—Chicago Public Schools chief **Jean-Claude Brizard**, to the school board after the resignation of a CPS official accused in a recent inspector general's report of accepting perhaps thousands of dollars in improper gifts from the district's two largest food vendors



THE DIGIT

\$10 MILLION

A Cook County jury has awarded \$10 million to the family of a 21-year-old woman who was beaten and strangled in her Edgewater apartment seven years ago. The jury assessed 90 percent liability against her killer and 10 percent to the building management. TRIBUNE

1 Man run over by CTA bus

A 58-year-old bicyclist was seriously injured in Gresham on Wednesday in an accident involving a CTA bus. The accident happened about 3 p.m. near the intersection of 79th and Halsted streets, officials said. The bus ran over the man, who suffered fractures to his hips and arms.

2 Killer gets 54 years for vehicle homicide

A reputed gang member was sentenced to 54 years in prison Wednesday for ramming a carload of teens on the West Side and killing an 18-year-old college student because he mistakenly thought they were gang rivals.

3 Report: Man tried to hang dog

A South Side man has been charged with animal cruelty after he hanged a dog by its neck from a tree, nearly killing it, police said. Roxen Smith, 30, told police he was trying to prevent the dog from having "dementia," according to an arrest report. The dog's condition was not available Wednesday morning.

4 City worker sentenced for drunken crash

A former city of Chicago employee was sentenced to nine years in prison Wednesday for driving drunk on duty and crashing into a crowd of people on a Gold Coast sidewalk last year. Jennifer Anton, 26, a nanny who was pushing a stroller with a 20-month-old girl, was able to shove the child out of harm's way before she was struck and severely injured. Six others also were hurt—one critically.

5 Fire vehicle involved in rollover crash

A Chicago Fire Department chief driving to a fire call in was struck and injured along with six others in a rollover crash Wednesday night in Pullman, officials said. The force of the crash rolled the SUV "a couple of times" before coming to rest, prompting a call for emergency medical services, authorities said. TRIBUNE

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U.S. Probation officer Sarah Kieckhafer (from left) and John Harris, former Blagojevich chief of staff leave the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse Wednesday after he was sentenced to 10 days in prison. ABEL URIBE/TRIBUNE

Ex-Blago staffer who testified against him gets 10 days

Chicago Tribune

John Harris, who was chief of staff for Rod Blagojevich when both were arrested in December 2008, was sentenced Wednesday to just 10 days in prison for assisting the then-governor's efforts to sell a vacant U.S. Senate seat.

Harris apologized and acknowledged he failed to live up to his own standards. "I lost my way," he told the judge.

U.S. District Judge James Zagel said Harris was too close to power to avoid prison entirely. "The offense is so serious and so crucial that I cannot impose upon you a sentence that does not involve custody," he said.

Harris, who was Blagojevich's chief of staff for three years, admitted suggesting ways for Blagojevich to personally benefit from selling the Senate seat vacated by Barack Obama before his rise to the presidency. But

at other times Harris expressed opposition to Blagojevich's schemes or intentionally didn't follow the ex-governor's instructions.

When he pleaded guilty to a single count of wire fraud seven months after his stunning arrest, Harris became the first Blagojevich insider to formally agree to testify against the former governor. He provided key testimony at both of Blagojevich's trials.

Assistant U.S. Atty. Carrie Hamilton, one of the prosecutors in the probe of the former Blagojevich administration, called Harris "arguably" the prosecution's most important trial witness.

Lawyers for Blagojevich were unable to diminish Harris' credibility on cross-examination, Hamilton said. "There was nothing that could be done with him on cross," she said. Blagojevich began serving his 14-year sentence earlier this month.

Prosecutors had agreed to recommend that Harris serve less than 3 years in prison for his cooperation. Harris' lawyer, Terry Ekl, sought probation.

Before sentencing Harris, Zagel spoke at length about Blagojevich and his work habits and how he wore down his staff. Zagel even said that, if he were in Harris' shoes, he may have acted the same way.

"But I would have left sooner, much sooner," Zagel said.

The judge praised Harris for his cooperation with investigators.

Harris' cooperation included testifying for 10 days at two Blagojevich trials. A subdued, matter-of-fact Harris told jurors he and Blagojevich talked about parlaying the power to name someone to Obama's seat for campaign cash or a lucrative job for Blagojevich. AP CONTRIBUTED.



787 Dreamliner aircraft
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Luxurious new aircraft coming to O'Hare

Chicago Tribune

LOT Polish Airlines is the first airline to announce that it will offer an O'Hare flight aboard a revolutionary Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft.

The airline will begin service in January between Chicago and Warsaw, Poland, its CEO said Wednesday at a news conference in Chicago. "Chicago is our biggest market, not only in the U.S. but worldwide," said LOT Polish Airlines CEO Marcin Pirog. Last year, the airline flew 160,000 passengers between Chicago and Warsaw, he said.

O'Hare's most dominant airline, United Airlines, is scheduled to take delivery of a 787 slightly earlier—scheduled for the second half of this year—and would "likely" use a 787 on routes through Chicago, possibly as soon as the fourth quarter of this year, spokeswoman Mary Ryan said. However, United hasn't announced a flight schedule for the aircraft.

The Boeing 787 Dreamliner is a twin-aisle plane that offers the best fuel economy and range for a craft its size and promises far greater comfort for passengers.

The 787 is said to be the most technologically advanced commercial aircraft ever built. The jet's largely composite structure is lighter and delivers greater fuel efficiency, a big deal for airlines. Besides saving airlines money, it would enable carriers to bypass airport hubs and directly connect city pairs that otherwise wouldn't generate enough passenger traffic to fill bigger jets.

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Anti-Semitic graffiti reported at synagogue

Chicago Tribune

Authorities were reviewing video surveillance as they investigated anti-Semitic graffiti that was spray-painted at a North Side synagogue early Wednesday morning.

The video appears to show one person committing the vandalism between 12:45 a.m. and 1 a.m., according to Bob Krakowsky, executive director of the Anshe Emet synagogue at 3751 N. Broadway. He said a passerby can be seen in the video, and hopes the person will come forward.

Krakowsky said he was "extremely troubled" by the incident. "We work very hard at our security and something like this has just not occurred before," he said.

The graffiti included "Murder Jews" and "Execution-Jews," and was painted in white letters on a wall near the parking lot wall, on sidewalks and on a nearby building. The graffiti at the parking lot was covered with tarps before children arrived for school, officials said.

"It's utterly shocking to come to a building filled with children, a building that is filled with a community of faith, and to see the ugliness and pure abject anti-Semitism just scrawled on the building," Senior Rabbi Michael Siegel said. "It is just a shocking and sobering moment for all of us."

Siegel said the vandalism may have been in-



spired by last week's killing of four people at a Jewish school in Toulouse, France, three of them young children.

The American Jewish Committee in Chicago called the vandalism just before the holiday of Passover "a sad reminder of the persistence of anti-Semitism."

AJC Chicago director Dan Elbaum said the graffiti is "particularly galling given last week's murder of four French Jews by an attacker claiming to be motivated by events in the Middle East. All words have consequences, and we should keep that in mind as we call upon all people of good faith to speak out against the vandalism."

Police said there were no witnesses and no one was in custody.

Chicago hits 100-homicide mark early

By Tracy Swartz

REDEYE

Chicago surpassed 100 homicides for the year last week, the fastest it has reached that mark in at least seven years, but that doesn't necessarily mean the city will end the year with an unusually high homicide count.

It's been eight years since the city recorded more than 100 homicides from January through March, according to police data.

Police logged 106 homicides in the first quarter of 2004, records show. That year, 454 homicides were recorded by year's end.

Compare that with 2001, when 105 homicides were logged from January through March. That year, 667 were logged by year end.

One quarter alone can not predict how the city will fare for the whole year, a RedEye analysis of police data shows.

In 2008, the last year the city logged more than 500 homicides, 88 homicides were recorded in the first quarter of the year. But that year saw a high number of homicides in the summer, which contributed to the jump in the annual number, which had been hovering around 450 homicides since 2004.

There's no question that 2012 is off to a rough start with more than 100 homicides already ready in the books.

By this time last year, 75 homicides had been recorded. The city logged 441 homicides last year, the lowest level since 1965.



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**1 Sensible sales**

A woman selling shoes talks on a cellphone Wednesday while waiting for customers in Srinagar, India. The shoes are imported from China and range from \$8-\$10, she said.

**2 It's tradition!**

Men throw water onto a woman during a media presentation Wednesday as part of traditional Easter celebrations. Locals from Holloko, Hungary, celebrate Easter with the traditional "watering of the girls," a Hungarian tribal fertility ritual rooted in the area's pre-Christian past.

**3 Too young to vote**

A child holds the National League for Democracy party flag on Wednesday. Myanmar's parliamentary election is scheduled for Sunday. **REUTERS PHOTOS**

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Criminal charges filed against JetBlue pilot

4 AUSTIN, Texas Authorities filed criminal charges Wednesday against a JetBlue pilot who screamed over the radio, pounded on the door of the cockpit and was tackled by passengers during a chaotic flight from New York forced to make an emergency landing in Texas.

Flight 191 was diverted to Amarillo, Texas, on Tuesday, following what federal authorities described as erratic behavior by captain Clayton Frederick Osbon, who passengers said was restrained after he pounded on the locked cockpit door.

A U.S. attorney in Texas filed a complaint charging Osbon with interfering with the crew. It is unusual for a commercial airline pilot to be charged in this way.

Osbon, 49, remains in a guarded facility at a hospital in Amarillo, and U.S. Attorney Sarah Saldana said he faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted.

Osbon was suspended while the FBI investigates the incident, the airline said Wednesday.

"He has been removed from all active duty and responsibilities pending further investigation," JetBlue spokeswoman Tamara Young said, declining to comment further on that investigation.

JetBlue, which had said Tuesday the flight was diverted due to a "medical situation" involving the captain, said Osbon was a 12-year veteran of the airline.

An affidavit by an FBI agent shows that trouble for the



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JetBlue has said that following a medical situation with the captain, another captain who was traveling off-duty entered the flight deck prior to the landing and "took over the duties of the ill crew member once on the ground."

flight started before the Airbus A320 took off from New York City's LaGuardia Airport. Osbon was late arriving at the airport, and missed the routine pre-flight crew briefing, agent John Whitworth said in the affidavit.

Whitworth said problems continued as the Airbus A320 was taking off.

"Osbon talked about his church and needed to focus," Whitworth said in the affidavit. "Osbon began talking about religion, but his statements were not coherent."

5 Police: Suspect wore a Klan hood

A man wearing Ku Klux Klan clothing was arrested in the small community of Mount Victory, Ohio, over the weekend after he threatened a black man with a gun and said he would kill him, police said.

6 Pope urges 'freedom' in Cuban visit

Pope Benedict XVI, speaking from Cuba's biggest stage, urged Cubans on Wednesday to search for "authentic freedom" and pressed the communist government to let the Catholic Church teach religion in schools and universities.

7 Illinois lawmaker booted for hood

Congressman Bobby Rush (D-Ill.) was removed from the House floor Wednesday after giving a speech about Trayvon Martin while wearing a hoodie. In his speech he said "racial profiling has to stop."

8 Arguments finished in health care debate

The Supreme Court struggled Wednesday with what to do about President Obama's entire health care overhaul should the justices hold the insurance requirement underpinning the law invalid under the Constitution. Arguments have concluded, and a decision is expected this summer.



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The Bulls clobbered Atlanta on Wednesday without the sidelined Derrick Rose and Richard Hamilton. Luol Deng had 22 points.

RUNNING WITH THE STARS

WHY NOT BREAK A SWEAT WITH A CELEBRITY?



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Barely a few days pass without Derrick Rose releasing a new shoe or commercial. On Wednesday, an ad featuring the Bulls superstar dropped to mark the launch of Adidas' ClimaCool Seduction running shoe. And this time he shares the spotlight with Katy Perry, David Beckham and Lionel Messi. Of course, with the great weather Chicago's been having, we'd love to go stride for stride with any of them. So assuming we'd get approval from their security detail, who would make the best running buddy?

DERRICK ROSE

Pro: He's so humble, we can't think he'll embarrass us when we collapse from exhaustion before he's barely warmed up.

Con: If the banged-up Rose's groin injury gets worse while he's working out with us, we'd never forgive ourselves.

KATY PERRY

Pro: Running with the pop princess is bound to keep us on our toes. One minute she'd be stopping to sign autographs, the next we'd be sprinting from the paparazzi.

Con: Russell Brand might call and kill the mood for everyone. Exercise is for AVOIDING stress.



DAVID BECKHAM

Pro: Getting the story on all those tattoos is bound to be entertaining. And if he wanted to share some Spice Girls drama, that's cool, too.

Con: He's got four children to take care of, so who knows when his fatherly duties would summon him elsewhere.

LIONEL MESSI

Pro: What better way to brush up on our Spanish than with the best soccer player on the planet? Vamos a correr!

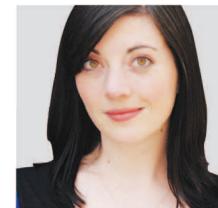
Con: The commercial has him running in some sort of dark hallway in Buenos Aires. That would get old fast.



WINNER

Perry. Seeing as the others are professional athletes, there's a concern they'd take their workouts too seriously. With Perry, we'd probably be too caught up in her lighthearted energy to notice how tired we were getting. Plus: No iPod, no problem—just have her start singing!

Sometimes, being No. 1 is NOT a win



Derrick Rose and Greg Oden have a lot in common. Both played for college basketball teams that lost in the national championship game.

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Both left college after one year to enter the NBA draft. And both were selected with the No. 1 pick: Greg Oden by Portland in 2007 and Rose, praise the pingpong balls, by the Bulls in 2008.

It might have worked out differently, but the NBA's 2006 collective bargaining agreement declared that high school seniors could no longer enter the draft. So Oden went to Ohio State and Rose to Memphis, and they both experienced college hoops heartache while deferring their NBA dreams for a year.

After the draft, their paths diverged. Oden's rookie season was negated by bad knees. He eventually underwent five surgical procedures before the Blazers waived him earlier this month. Even if a team looking for a discounted big man claims him, Oden will be known best as a bust.

Meanwhile, Rose's first three seasons inspired Bulls fans to dust off deflated Spauldings and forgotten Starter jackets, thinking the rafters in the United Center might be next in line for cleaning.

The Bulls look good right now. Coach Tom Thibodeau still shouts more than Tears for Fears, no matter what the score is. But Rose has missed more games than he did in those first three seasons combined. His latest ailment is a groin strain—not nearly as ominous as a degenerative knee condition, but still serious.

"I wanted to play through it and I think I made it worse," Rose recently told the Tribune. Most NBA athletes play through pain during their careers. Not many create internal pressure the way Rose does, however. His glum expression on the bench screams that he'd rather be on the court.

Maybe the whirlwind transition from senior standout to freshman star to No. 1 pick is a different kind of madness, one that could cut careers short.

Derrick Rose and Greg Oden both started on that path.

For Rose, time to heal and the support of his team will make all the difference.

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Members of the Blackhawks' Ice Crew

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GO NUTS!

SETTLING SPORTS-BASED ARGUMENTS ONE DEBATE AT A TIME

It's late March, which means hockey fans are working themselves into a lather for the playoffs while baseball fans are warming up for the regular season. And they're all getting their arms in shape, though for different reasons.

This round: Throwing hats for a hat trick or tossing back an opponent's home run ball?

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Souvenirs from sporting events should celebrate the experience; why would you want to celebrate an achievement by the opposing team and remember something negative? That's why throwing back an opponent's home run ball makes logical, intelligent sense for fans. On the other hand, throwing hats for a hat trick is only an obvious, knee-jerk reaction that wastes hats and accomplishes nothing. Do we throw cycles on the field when someone hits for the cycle? No, we do not.

Throwing your cap after a hat trick is the fans' version of players giving their jerseys away. What better way to show your approval for a rare, tremendously difficult feat than taking an article of clothing for which you (probably) shelled out hard-earned cash and tossing it onto the ice, never to see it again? It's a huge sign of respect, which is more than I can say for throwing back a home run ball. Couldn't you just give the ball to a kid instead?

RESULTS FROM THE LAST ROUND: IS IT OK TO SKIP WORK FOR MARCH MADNESS?

80% YEP



NOPE 20%

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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THE DIGITS

Those are the ages of a pair of fans who got into a fight Monday over college basketball at a Kentucky dialysis clinic. The incident took place at a Georgetown clinic with an argument between 68-year-old Kentucky fan Ed Wilson and Charles Taylor, a 71-year-old Louisville fan, Georgetown police Lt. Robert Swanigan told WKYT-TV. The teams are scheduled to meet Saturday in the Final Four.

Here's what each fan told WKYT:

"He just happened to think U of L would beat UK and he started to run his mouth," Wilson said. "That's what started it."

"He was meddling and told me to shut up and gave me the finger," Taylor said. "I went up to him and I hit him. Didn't hit him that hard, but I hit him."

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NFL calls pair of audibles

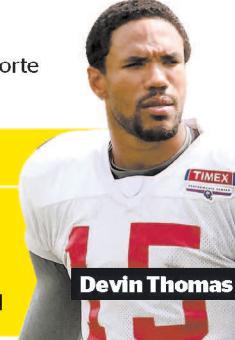
The NFL has adopted its sudden-death overtime rules used in the post-season for all games and will review all turnovers in 2012. The overtime structure was first used in Denver's overtime playoff win over Pittsburgh in January. It stipulates that both teams have the opportunity to possess the ball once in overtime unless the initial receiving team scores a touchdown.



THE MOUTHWATCH

I look at offseason as time to negotiate. You do it different ways. He doesn't feel good about his contract situation. He voiced that. It's no more than that. I don't make too big a deal out of it."

— Bears coach Lovie Smith, on running back Matt Forte



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- 1** LeBron James injured the ring finger on his left hand. Explain the significance.

His finger's as afraid of committing to anything significant as he is to winning anything significant.

I stopped reading at "LeBron James."

Nada—no rings to wear that I know of ...

Well, it's not like he'll be using it anytime soon.

He'll have to use his right hand at weekly "Ring Ceremony Practice" with Bosh and Wade.

- 2** Surrendering the tying goal in stoppage time of an Olympic soccer qualifier is like ...

... spilling hot sauce on your microwave burrito: making a mediocre meal slightly less mediocre ... and more dangerous.

... worse than a basketball player injuring his ring finger. Fine, I did read the first one.

... if you showed up at Local Option and they were out of steak tacos. Heart-wrenching.

I have no idea what this means. I am the worst brown person ever.

... the sports hipster equivalent of The Unicorns breaking up while making their second album.

- 3** The Hawks' last five regular-season games are against division rivals. What's that mean?

Much like the Bulls, they'll be seeing red from the last day of the regular season all through the playoffs.

Triumphant wins or painful losses. Why must life be so DRAMATIC???

Brandon Bollig's finishing off the season 5-for-5 with fights.

Wild: Northwest Division. Blackhawks: Central Division. They play each other twice. I am a nerd.

They can move all the way up to "Most Screwed By NHL Playoff Seeding Rules."

- 4** Whom is this quote about: "He has one of those unique, strong bodies, and is such an explosive guy?"

Matt Lindner—I mean, literally anybody but the guy you see above. He could afford to do some sit-ups.

The Incredible Hulk. Gollum. Stretch Armstrong. Whom isn't that quote about?

Has to be either Luke Stuckmeyer or Chuck Garfien.

The guy who wrote question 3.

Matt Pais.

- 5** Why are Lovie Smith and Phil Emery getting along so well?

Lovie is in the air. Thank you, folks, I'll be here all night.

It's not hard to get along with someone who never expresses emotion. Worst surprise birthday party-thrower ever.

Adding Brandon Marshall and Michael Bush. You'd be getting along with your boss too.

They know who's in their division. I'm not even sure Angelo knew what league he was in, sometimes.

They are Thomas and O'Brien, and Matt Forte is Mr. Bates.

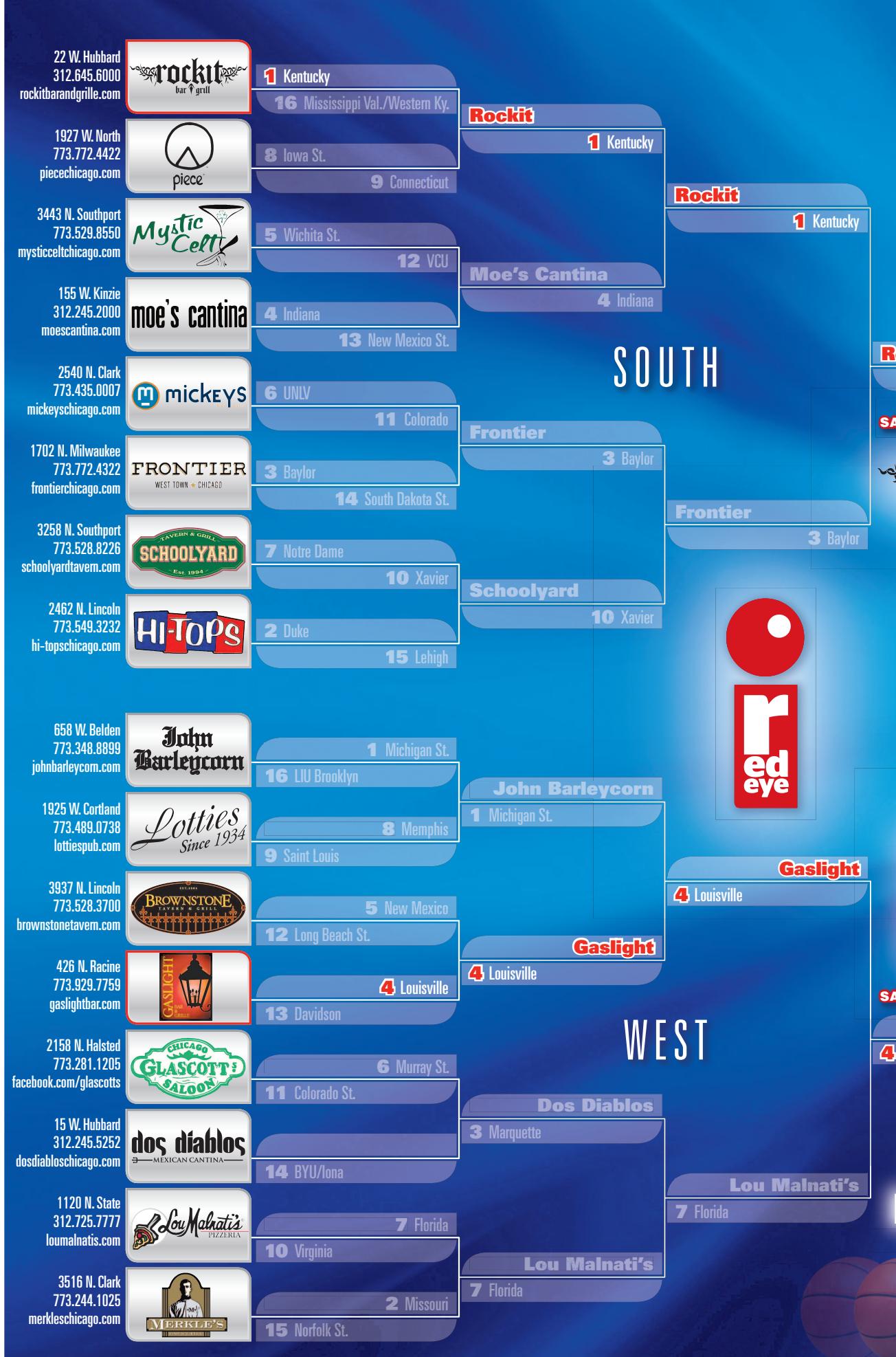


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Jennifer Lawrence's Katniss Everdeen in "The Hunger Games" may have shot the bow-and-arrow to a new zenith in the pop culture zeitgeist, but she's not the only archer striking bull's-eyes on screens both small and large. Yes, the bow and arrow is back. CURT WAGNER, REDEYE

Merida

"Brave"

When the film comes out June 22, Pixar will finally give audiences an animated heroine in this fiery Scottish girl who can land a bulls-eye.

TARGET AUDIENCE

KATNISS AND A SLEW OF OTHER POP CULTURE SHOOTERS HAVE SPARKED A NEW INTEREST IN ARCHERY

Chicago Tribune

When the Archery Bow Range opened two years ago in Humboldt Park, the owners expected to subsist on a small but steady stream of regulars, bow hunters and target shooters—the traditional, mostly male crowd that has defined the sport's modest fan base for decades.

But Hollywood has rediscovered the bow and arrow, and the target audience has shifted and grown. Archery may not have had much of a coolness factor when it was just a staple of summer camps and gym classes, but now it may have something better: a Katniss factor.

Mirroring a national boom, introductory archery classes have been packed as the buzz for "Hunger Games" and its bow-toting heroine, Katniss Everdeen, has grown. This weekend, as "Hunger Games" fans spent

\$155 million at movie theaters, classes at the range were overfilled, and mostly with girls and women hoping to channel their inner Katniss, instructor Eva Yam said.

"The last couple of weeks have been crazy, especially this last weekend," said Yam, who read the "Hunger Games" trilogy of books just last year, hoping to keep up on story references from her new students.

"[The crowds] were definitely all 'Hunger Games'-related. We had a group of 20-something women who came in for a birthday party, who were going to the movie afterward. One of them had a T-shirt that said 'Team Katniss.'"

At an introductory class Tuesday night, so many newbie archers showed up that they had to rotate onto the shooting range in three groups of six. All three instructors were

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—Archery instructor **Eva Yam**, commenting on how the popularity of "Hunger Games" has sparked interest in the sport

female, as were more than half the participants—and the shooters in an archery league

across the hall.

The appeal of "The Hunger Games" to young and not-so-young adults was strongly in evidence. A trip to the range seemed like an ideal date for Victoria Kim, 29, who jumped at the invitation from Eric Seto, 30.

Seto asked and "I was like, 'I am so down to go to archery,'" admitted Kim, who saw the movie in its opening weekend. "Yes, Katniss was my inspiration."

Archery, which has struggled to find a niche in popular culture roughly since the invention of firearms, is enjoying a rare moment in the spotlight.

In the last year, the Archery Trade Association has noted a 20 percent increase in equipment sales. Visits to US Archery's website jumped 30 percent in January and February, and the youth divisions at sanctioned events

**Hawkeye** *"The Avengers"*

The ace archer known as Hawkeye (Jeremy Renner) hits theaters May 4 in what's likely to be another blockbuster.

**The Green Arrow**
"Arrow"

Stephen Amell cuts a daunting figure as the comic book hero, who could get his own TV show this fall if CW picks up the pilot currently being filmed.

**Daryl Dixon** *"The Walking Dead"*

No one in AMC's zombie thriller compares in coolness to the crossbow-wielding badass played by Norman Reedus.

**Mira** *"Spartacus: Vengeance"*

The former slave (Katrina Law) was determined to take part in the gladiator's rebellion against Rome and mastered the bow and arrow to do it.



Bran *"Game of Thrones"*
Last season in the HBO hit, young Bran Stark (Isaac Hempstead-Wright) got schooled in archery by his brothers—and younger sister.

now are the largest portion of the sport, spokeswoman Teresa Iaconi said.

"I think the kids now have heroes in the sport," Iaconi said. "Now you've got Katniss with her bow, and she's badass. We have a lot of kids getting into the sport, and a lot of them are saying it's because of 'Hunger Games.'"

USA Archery is hoping to make stars out of real-life archers in August, when the 2012 Summer Olympics in London will feature favorite Brady Ellison, the world's No. 1-ranked men's archer, and Khatuna Lorig, a Team USA member who coached Katniss herself, "Hunger Games" star Jennifer Lawrence.

"Brady Ellison is a young, cool-looking guy. I think he'll be good for the sport," Iaconi said. "It's not an overnight thing, but I think in general [the movies] are making archery look cool."

Whatever the reason, the archery boom is

real, said Terry Pryor, whose Archery Custom Shop has operated an indoor shooting range in Forest Park since 1948.

"I have never seen anything like it," Pryor said. "There was a little something in the 1980s, when 'Rambo' was out. But that was all young men coming in."

Over the past two years—the first "Hunger Games" book was published in 2008—Pryor has seen an influx of students from the young-adult demographic, many of them girls. Still, Pryor wasn't aware of "The Hunger Games" until he heard one of his grade-schooler students talking about the movie.

"I'm going to read the books now for sure," he chuckled. "I'm doing 15 to 20 private lessons a week now, mostly kids. Two years ago, I was doing, maybe one or two [lessons], and it was men."



Jeanine Peterson (far right) gives instruction to archery beginners Tuesday at Archery Bow Range in Humboldt Park.

CHRIS SWEDA/Tribune

nightlife

Just how comfy are the barstools at four new hangouts?

By Lisa Arnett and Emily Van Zandt

REDEYE

From a quick round of cocktails to lingering for a late dinner, we spend a lot of time camped out on barstools. And, if we're being honest, sometimes it kind of sucks. So when we first glimpsed the vintage metal tractor-looking seats lining the bar at Logan Square's new hangout Scofflaw, we couldn't help but wince. No way sitting in one of those contraptions for more than one martini was going to end in anything less than a bruised tailbone and a couple of numb legs. Or was it?

Never ones to just sit around and judge, we decided to sacrifice our lower halves to test the comfort factor of barstools at four new spots, rating them on a scale from 1 (torture device) to 10 (sitting on a cloud). Now if you'll excuse us, we need to get up and stretch our ... legs.



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The seating situation: Under the sparkle of chandeliers, the bar runs the whole length of this West Loop bar and restaurant. On weekends, it's standing room only, at least two bodies deep.

At first glance: Now, don't these look familiar? Painted metal chairs by French company Tolix seem to be the trendy seating of choice lately; they're everywhere from Magnolia Bakery to Deuce's & the Diamond Club to Big Star's patio.

Comfort rating: 4
The inset cushion is a step up from sitting on cold metal, but anyone who isn't a size 2 seems to be spilling off the sides. Partway through my drink, I'm eyeing the comfier-looking chairs on either side of the bar. —LISA ARNETT

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3201 W. Armitage Ave. 773-252-9700

The seating situation: While there are plenty of tables, couches and wingback chairs to settle into, the marble bar seems to be the first to fill up, fitting about a dozen around its L-shaped counter.

At first glance: Vintage iron tractor seats perched on top of a little pole may look very farm-sale chic, but come on. These things can't possibly feel good.

Comfort rating: 6
I stand corrected. Two friends independently pointed out that the seats actually "cup your butt quite nicely." Mine had a distinct wobble that, while charming, distracted from my brisket sandwich and fries (which, may I say, were killer). But I can forgive it. **Pro tip:** If you want a little extra padding, just sit on your jacket. —EMILY VAN ZANDT



Bread & Wine

3732 W. Irving Park Road. 773-866-5266

The seating situation: This Irving Park wine bar and cafe has not one but two bars. To talk wine or craft booze with the friendly bartender, opt for the small main bar; for a front-row view of the cooking action, sit at the long counter in front of the open kitchen.

At first glance: Is this Irving Park or Ikea? Both bars (plus all the tables in the dining room) are lined with curvy white chairs with metal legs.

Comfort rating: 7
Despite the lack of padding, these things are surprisingly comfy. Proper back support made a full meal at the bar tolerable.

—LISA ARNETT



Acadia

1639 S. Wabash Ave. 312-360-9509

The seating situation: At this South Loop restaurant, the front bar area includes a few tables near the front window, but you'll want a front-row view of Michael Simon's cocktail handiwork. The bar itself has space for just a few couples.

At first glance: The barstools mimic the dining chairs, but with much longer legs. Cushioned seats and seat-backs? This could be good.

Comfort rating: 9
If you're going to be eating at the bar (and with a lobster roll and delish burger on the bar menu, you definitely will), back support is sheer bliss. The plush fabric cushions are deceptively not-squishy, but I'm not one to complain about a firm seat. —EMILY VAN ZANDT

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"Let me ask you a question. Are you a teacher?"

It was a Sunday night at a Clark Street bar. One of those a friend-of-a-friend-knows-the-owner situations. I turned my head to the baseball-capped fashion police.

"Because if you want me to be honest, you're wearing mom

pants."

I glanced down at my khakis. Baggy. Rolled up to my ankles.

Well, crap.

I'd thrown on the beat-up, oversize pants with a T-shirt that morning thinking, "It's Sunday." Not "Man, I've gotta be sure I'm looking right for a Wrigleyville bar later tonight."

Because no one should ever think that.

I got a similarly judgmental look when I ended up at Bonny's in Logan Square the night of my 25th birthday wearing a sequined dress that screamed "This isn't vintage!" If only I'd been wearing my mom pants then. Wouldn't have gotten a second glance.

But that's not the point. I didn't get dressed for the guy at the bar in Wrigleyville. I wasn't wearing the sequined dress or the khakis to impress anyone, or to stand out

and rebel. I was wearing them because I felt comfortable and (unless you're reading this from some kind of sand-infested bar while on spring break) you have to be wearing some sort of clothing to be allowed into a drinking establishment.

Maybe I'm getting old. Or maybe I go out so many nights that dressing up for every single one would be exhausting. But I just can't get behind the idea that drinking always means going all out with the hair, makeup and outfit.

There's a time (Saturday night) and a place (where drinks are \$12-plus) to do something special. But that time will never be Sunday night on Clark Street. Or Thursday night at any sports bar anywhere. Or day-drinking in general.

Ladies and bros, do yourselves a favor and just take it down a notch.

It's a hard life out there with a lot of people to impress. We all need a break, and sometimes zero thought should be given to what you're wearing out.

That means leaving your heels, vests, blowouts, fake eyelashes, cardigans and vintage clutches at home when you head to the sports bar on a Sunday night. Or, at the very least, not passing drunken judgment on those who do. Relax. Have a beer. It's just a bar.

EMILY VAN ZANDT IS A REDEYE REPORTER. SHE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE GUY WHO WAS OFFENDED BY HER PANTS FOR THE ROUND OF DRINKS HE WAS SHAMED INTO PURCHASING FOR HER TABLE.

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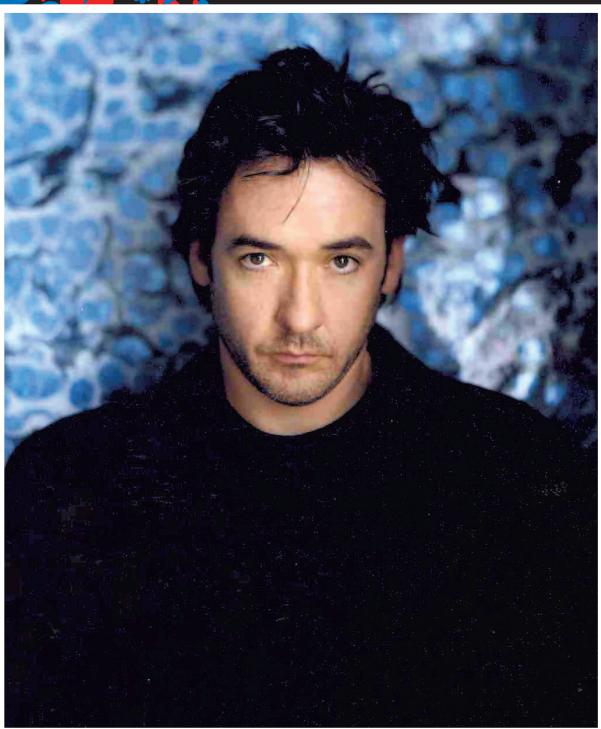
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Lily Collins
at the Vanity
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'Mirror Mirror' star fairest in neon and lace

Los Angeles Times

Lily Collins and friends took over the second floor of Scarpetta restaurant at Beverly Hills' Montage Hotel recently to celebrate her March cover of Nylon magazine. Collins stood out, weaving through the crowd in a hot pink Honor dress, her high ponytail playfully swishing with every step of her Brian Atwood spiked pumps. During the party, Collins—star of "Mirror Mirror," which opens Friday—dished on her personal style and favorite designers.

Who are your favorite designers right now?

I love Alexander McQueen. Monique Lhuillier has always been one where I drive by the store and go, "I want to wear that one day." Stella McCartney and Vivienne Westwood, Chanel.

How would you describe your personal style?

If there is a vintage gown that screams "Lily," I'll gravitate toward that. It doesn't even necessarily have to be a name that everyone knows. So I really

like to mix it up, but I always have to have some sense of myself in the dress.

What are you coveting for spring?

I love a good lace something or other, whether it's a lace top, a lace dress, a little vest. I think you have to be very specific about how you wear lace since it's different for every single person, but I'm looking for maybe a good item like that. I do love neon, so maybe a little pop of color here and there, because it can be overwhelming and overpowering but if you find the right item, it makes your wardrobe pop a little bit.

Any products, clothing, accessories you can't live without?

I really would go more toward hand creams, sunscreen, a good lip balm.



At a Nylon magazine event
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For some, texting and walking don't mix

Los Angeles Times

Think texting and walking is no problem? Well, maybe you should talk to Bonnie Miller, a Michigan woman who recently fell off a pier while texting and walking at the same time.

"I can't let pride get in my way of warning other people to not drive and text or walk and text. It's quite dangerous," Bonnie Miller told ABC 57, a local TV station in South Bend, Ind.

Miller plunged into the waters of Lake Michigan this month when she was out for a stroll with her husband and 15-year-old son. As the family ambled down the pier, enjoying the weather, Miller remembered she needed to change an appointment. She pulled out her cellphone to send a quick text.

"Next thing you know it was the water," she told ABC 57.

When it looked like Miller was having trouble staying afloat, her husband jumped in after her, and so did a 19-year-old bystander.

Firefighters and the Coast Guard soon arrived, and a St. Joseph police officer threw them a flotation device and helped them climb the ladder back up to the pier.

Everyone was OK in the end, although Miller said her ego

took a bruising.

"I can't believe how many people came," she said. "I'm really quite embarrassed."

Miller is not the only person to suffer humiliation after a texting-and-walking accident.

Last year, Cathy Cruz Marrero was texting and walking in a mall in Reading, Pa., when she tumbled into a fountain.

She wasn't injured, but she told CBS News that she cried for days after footage of the accident landed on YouTube, where it was viewed more than 2 million times.

"The humiliation," she said in a video interview. "You don't know how many people are laughing at you."

She also noted the danger of texting and walking. "I could have been walking into a bus, a car, a ditch. Anything. Texting and walking—take it from me—is dangerous."

On YouTube you'll find video of another texting-and-walking fall, caught on tape by the Canadian Broadcast Company. The camera is focused on a gray-haired man who appears to be talking about an Ontario spending report, but behind him on the right of the screen you'll see a woman tumble down a small flight of stairs and then a group of people rush to her aid.

She was lucky, though: The media didn't get her name.

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Spinoff better than 'Shore'

By Verne Gay

NEWSDAY

Some of us have been looking forward to the "Jersey Shore" spinoffs about as much as a root canal. More wasted nights and wasted days ... next!

But "The Pauly D Project" always promised something else, namely its star. Guileless, carefree, easygoing DJ Paul "Pauly D" DelVecchio—the kid from Rhode Island who got lucky and knows it. Who else from the "Shore" better to spend a short-run reality series with?

Pauly has a dream, and it's not about spending the rest of his life GTLing (for the uninitiated, that's staying fresh through gym, tan and laundry) in a house at the shore with Snooki. He spins records, and now he's big time!

Fame on "Shore" has afforded him a new career, and our boy gets a call from the Palms Casino Resort in Las Vegas to try out his skills there. If the audition succeeds, then Pauly's on his way. If it's a disaster, there's always the "Shore." We meet Pauly's homies—Ryan Labbe, former club manager; Michael "Biggie" Morgan, road manager; and Gerard "Big Jerry" Galianella, the security guy. And Pauly's parents ... plus a girlfriend (in next

The Pauly D Project
9:30 p.m. Thursday, MTV

week's episode).

"Pauly D" has the usual set up scenes that feel about as authentic as Kim Kardashian's wedding. Amazing coincidence how the call came in from the Palms while the cameras were rolling. But what does seem genuine is the cast of characters—the guys from Providence who also got lucky (and know it).

MTV probably is hoping the "Project" will evolve into some sort of reality version of "The Hangover," but Pauly D clearly has other ideas. He's coming to town to work and realize his dream, and when (for instance) Ryan gets loaded and acts out at Ultra, a Providence club, Pauly wonders about the advisability of even bringing Ryan along on his big, new adventure. Pauly is still Pauly—but he's a more grown-up version who cares about his friends, ailing dad and career. The "Shore" and its drunken, frantic, increasingly weary sensibility seems far away.

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!!!! Angry Birds Space iOS, Android

Too much of a good thing can be bad. That's why the nonstop merchandising and news of an upcoming movie and cartoon make us itchy to hit the backlash button on "Angry Birds." But there's a reason the game has pecked its way to the top of app store charts. It's simple fun—just pull back on the slingshot with your touch screen to hurl a disgruntled avian at evil pigs. Still, it's difficult to master. It also gets repetitive and tiresome after hundreds of levels, which is why Rovio's new "Angry Birds Space" thankfully tweaks the formula a bit. There are a couple new types of birds to fling, and catapulting them completely around the orbit of a planet or through zero-G creates new challenges, even if it also means you'll be relying on luck a bit more than skill.

THREE TO PLAY

BY RYAN SMITH | FOR REDEYE



Resident Evil: Operation Raccoon City

PlayStation 3, Xbox 360

!!!! The newest version of "Resident Evil" presents an interesting premise: You're

not playing as Leon, Jill or any of the series' heroes, but instead as a squad of black-clad villains paid by the Umbrella Corporation to cover up a disaster that has led to the zombification of an entire town. Unfortunately, the rest of the game feels like a corporate plot to annoy gamers. The controls are confusing, the melee attacks are useless, and if you try to play offline, you'll quickly get frustrated with your idiotic A.I.-controlled teammates. Play "Operation Raccoon City" for too long, and you may begin to beg the zombies to go ahead and eat your brains.



Armored Core V PlayStation 3, Xbox 360

!!!! If there's a game that stands as the polar opposite of the casual, minimalist "Angry Birds," it just might be "Armored Core V"—a dense, complicated game that thrusts you into the seat of a giant robot built for war. You almost need an engineering degree to figure out the best way to equip your mech with the right tools, and the robust online modes lack proper tutorials and documentation to figure out what you're doing. When playing with friends on a team, the frantic firefights of "Armored Core V" can be entertaining, but it takes quite an investment of time and patience to get there.

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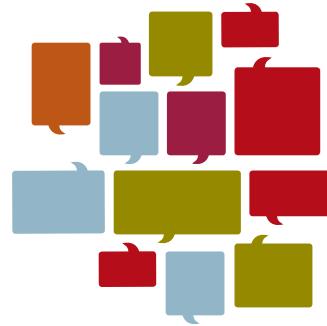
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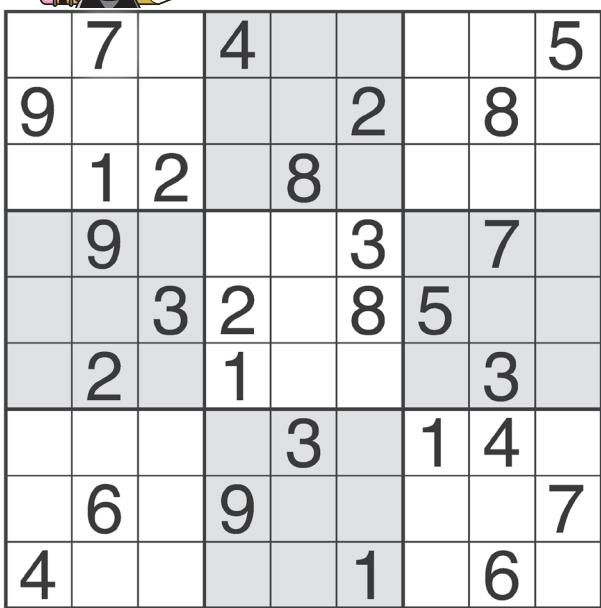
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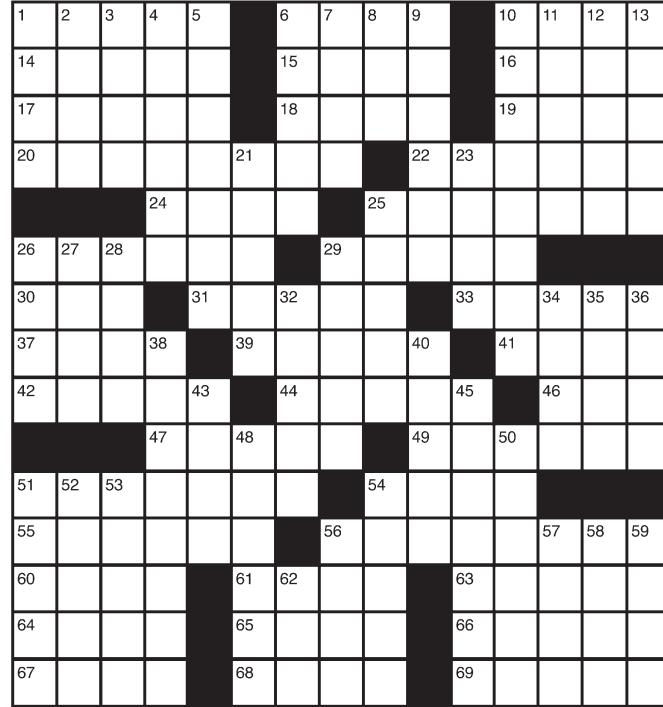
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ACROSS

- 1 Small ape, for short
6 Fail to keep a secret
10 Experts
14 Nile or Jordan
15 Actor Rob
16 British noble
17 Give a speech
18 _____ up; spent
19 Merry-go-round or Ferris wheel
20 Remorseful one
22 Prejudiced
24 Shipshape
25 Stove top features
26 Straightens
29 Started
30 One of the 7 Dwarfs
31 Passes out cards
33 Use other's exact words
37 Ridicules
39 Clumsy fellows
41 Gospel writer
42 Olympian's goal
44 Change an alarm clock
46 Golfer's peg
47 Becomes oxidized
49 Fallen ____ flat feet
51 Home of the Braves
54 Threesome
55 Modify
56 Naughtiness
60 Group of cattle
61 ____ market; swap meet
63 Nairobi's nation
64 Therefore
65 Phobia
66 Won't leave prison
67 "Mine eyes have the glory of the..."
68 Tiny amount
69 Wear away

DOWN

- 1 Cut short
2 Give a job to
3 ____ the Terrible
4 Doling out
5 Playact
6 Like a dull knife
7 Bewildered
8 Holy wonder



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| 9 Bloodsucking wingless insect | 28 Frosted a cake | 50 Another person listed in a will |
| 10 Make ____; earn each year | 29 Bessie Smith's music | 51 Is sore |
| 11 Elevate | 32 Major artery | 52 In that location |
| 12 Neatness | 34 Promise | 53 Huge |
| 13 Winter toys | 35 Maple or cedar | 54 Jeweled crown |
| 21 Artist's stand | 36 ____ out a living; gets by | 55 Ham or veal |
| 23 Baghdad's land | 38 Actress Susan | 56 Lowdown; dope |
| 25 Outperforms | 40 Department store chain | 58 Watched |
| 27 Easy gait | 43 Breathing organ | 59 Rider's fee |
| | 45 Very slow flow | 62 Zodiac sign |
| | 48 Graf of tennis | |

TODAY IN THE YEAR ...

- 1973:** The last U.S. combat troops left South Vietnam, ending America's direct military involvement in the Vietnam War.
1992: Democratic presidential front-runner Bill Clinton acknowledged experimenting with marijuana "a time or two" while attending Oxford University, adding, "I didn't inhale."
1999: The Dow Jones industrial average closed above 10,000 for the first time.

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A free tattoo! Great! Check out the "Bridesmaids" scene that helped Rebel find a place in American audiences' hearts—and gag reflexes—at bit.ly/drinkingworm.

Aussie pride

5 things to know about REBEL WILSON

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

You might not recognize Rebel Wilson by name, but here's a clue: Mexican drinking worm. That's right, the Aussie comic who recently sold her comedy pilot "Super Fun Night" to CBS also played the even-more-clueless British sister of Kristen Wiig's clueless British roommate in "Bridesmaids."

Here are five things you should know about Rebel before she gets too hot to handle. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | [@REDEYEDANA](https://twitter.com/REDEYEDANA)

1 Yes, that's her real first name

She also has three younger siblings: Liberty, Ryot and Annachi (pronounced Anarchy). Her parents were professional dog-showers, which may explain a few things. On top of all that, Liberty and Ryot were contestants on the first season of Australia's "The Amazing Race."

2 She used to be really into ... math

In fact, Rebel went to the University of New South Wales for arts and law. What changed her mind? A bout with malaria, during which time she hallucinated herself as "a really good actress who also won an Oscar," she told Variety. We swear we could not make this up.

3 Comedy's definitely her thing

Her IMDB page lists no fewer than seven (seven!) projects slated for release in 2012, including "Super Fun Night," produced by Conan O'Brien, and "What To Expect When You're Expecting," which looks like "New Year's Eve" for knocked-up ladies. So, in a word, terrible, but she must've made a ton of great contacts.

4 But she's ready to show off her action side

Rebel will be in great company alongside heavy-hitters Mark Wahlberg, Ed Harris, Tony Shalhoub and, err, Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson in Michael Bay's first non-"Transformers" movie since 2005. "Pain and Gain," a true crime drama, will feature Rebel as a schemer who ends up in prison. At least she has tattoo experience.

5 She's an international spokeswoman

Her blog entries for Jenny Craig Australia detail her struggles with weight loss and hotel mini-fridges. She'd lost about 10 kilograms as of her last post, which we in the Americas know as about 22 pounds.



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APRIL 11 That's when cooking dance king **Lil B** is scheduled to give a lecture about politics and entertainment at New York University, **billboard.com** reports. Or as he put it on Twitter in his signature all caps: "THIS IS GOING TO BE HISTORICAL FOR ALL HUMANS WANTING TO SEEK PROGRESSIONS WITH PPL." OK THANKS LIL B!

**Hooking up ...**

Pictures launched a thousand blogs Wednesday when **Michelle Williams** and **Jason Segel** were caught on camera walking arm-in-arm in Brooklyn. Extra "awwww" factor: Segel was later spotted playing with Williams' 6-year-old daughter.

**... and breaking up?**

Filming of "The Words" has ended, and maybe a relationship has too. Citing super secret sources, **usmagazine.com** reports **Bradley Cooper** and **Zoe Saldana** have parted ways after three months together. If it's true they've broken up, we still can see Cooper and Saldana on the big screen together when the movie drops in the fall.

That's how much the cast of "Modern Family" is seeking per episode for Season 4, **thr.com** reported Wednesday, citing unnamed sources. According to the industry site, the cast currently makes about \$65K per.

Watch the groans

Remember **Kanye West's** hours-long Twitter rant in January announcing the launch of business venture Donda Media? Well, Donda finally has her first big project.

Whodat.biz, an online service that refers to itself as "the Facebook of websites," launched Tuesday and provides—wait for it—domain registration information for "any website on Earth." Everybody calm down!

**From 'Mad' to movie**

"**Mad Men**" creator Matthew Weiner is making the leap from the little screen to the big one—and he's roping in **Owen Wilson**, **Zach Galifianakis** and **Amy Poehler** in the process, **variety.com** reports. Weiner is set to helm his pet project, "You Are Here," about best friends who go on a road trip after the death of one of their fathers.

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